

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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Support to Tribal and Other Fringe Areas
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any specific plans to support the tribal and other fringe area people across the wildlife sanctuaries/national parks etc. and if so, the details thereof; and
(b) whether the State Governments are showing keen interest to implement the provisions envisaged by the Government in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) In the management of Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks, strategy for seeking participation of tribal and other fringe area people in management is called ecodevelopment. In this component, community oriented activities are undertaken aimed at improving the life and livelihood of these communities and seeking their participation in the management of Protected Areas. Central Government supports State Governments for various eco development activities through the Centrally Sponsored Schemes like 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats', 'Project Tiger' and 'Project Elephant'.

(b) State Governments undertake such activities as part of the management of Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks. Financial assistance provided by the Ministry to states under the above mentioned Centrally Sponsored Schemes is utilized by the states for such activities.
